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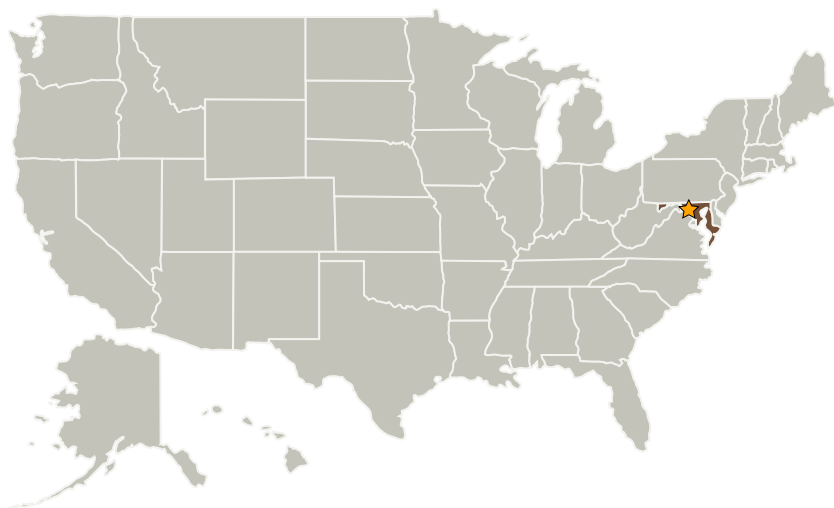
## Project Introduction

The goal of this project is to develop integrated active noise sources with their coupling structure at mm- and submm-wave frequencies.

## Anticipated Benefits

Waveguide-integrated noise sources can be used as transfer calibration standards that simplify the system by reducing the frequency external calibration is required. Ultimately, noise sources reduce the cost and complexity of instruments, and enable more flexible observation techniques and integration algorithms.

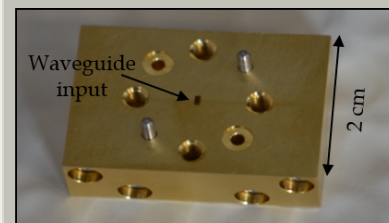
## Primary U.S. Work Locations and Key Partners



Organizations Performing Work	Role	Type	Location
★ Goddard Space Flight Center (GSFC)	Lead Organization	NASA Center	Greenbelt, Maryland

### Primary U.S. Work Locations

Maryland



Photograph of a packaged G-band noise source developed at GSFC.

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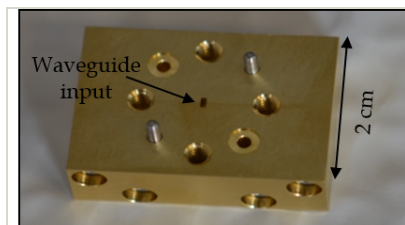
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## Images



### Packaged millimeter-wave noise source

Photograph of a packaged G-band noise source developed at GSFC.  
(<https://techport.nasa.gov/image/28283>)

## Organizational Responsibility

### Responsible Mission Directorate:

Mission Support Directorate (MSD)

### Lead Center / Facility:

Goddard Space Flight Center (GSFC)

### Responsible Program:

Center Independent Research & Development: GSFC IRAD

## Project Management

### Program Manager:

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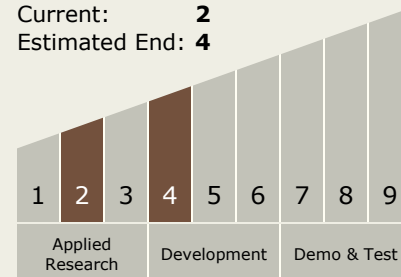
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## Technology Maturity (TRL)

Start: 2  
Current: 2  
Estimated End: 4



## Technology Areas

### Primary:

- TX08 Sensors and Instruments
  - └ TX08.1 Remote Sensing Instruments/Sensors
    - └ TX08.1.4 Microwave, Millimeter-, and Submillimeter-Waves

## Target Destinations

Earth, The Moon, Others Inside the Solar System